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QUOTE

CERTAIN CIRCLES HAVE CAUSED TO BE PUBLISHED COMMENTS
TO THE EFFECT THAT THE BRAZILIAN GOVT WAS ENGAGED IN
NEGOTIATIONS TOWARDS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SECURITY TREATY
WITH THE GOVT OF SOUTH AFRICA. SUCH ALLEGATIONS ARE
ABSOLUTELY UNFOUNDED AND UNTRUE.

THE POLICY OF APARTHEID ALWAYS WAS AND
CONTINUES TO BE UNACCEPTABLE TO THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT
AND PEOPLE. BRAZIL'S POLICY TOWARDS ITS SISTER AFRICAN
NATIONS SHOULD, IN ITSELF, BE SUFFICIENT TO DISPROVE SUCH
MALICIOUS RUMORS. UNFORTUNATELY, HOWEVER, EVEN
SELF-EVIDENT TRUTH IS SOMETIMES IGNORED. FOR THIS REASON,
THE BRAZILIAN MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS HAS FELT IT
NECESSARY TO DIVULGE THIS RESTATEMENT OF WELL-KNOWN
POLICIES.

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